



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 2137**

**PATENT**

Customer No. 22,852

Attorney Docket No. 09812.0590-00000

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Taizo SHIRAI et al.	)	
	)	Group Art Unit: 2137
Application No.: 09/982,711	)	
	)	Examiner: Nadia Khoshnoodi
Filed: October 18, 2001	)	
	)	Confirmation Number: 8666
For: INFORMATION RECORDING DEVICE,	)	
INFORMATION PLAYBACK DEVICE,	)	
INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM,	)	
INFORMATION RECORDING METHOD,	)	
INFORMATION PLAYBACK METHOD,	)	
AND PROVIDING MEDIUM	)	

**Attention: Mail Stop Appeal Brief-Patents**  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL FILED CONCURRENTLY WITH APPELLANTS**  
**APPEAL BRIEF FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 41.37**

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed April 26, 2006, and pursuant to  
37 C.F.R. §§ 1.116, please amend this application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are set forth beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment sections of this paper.